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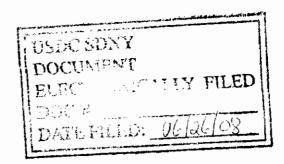
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Re:

- (1) The Northern Assurance Company of America et al. v. Lafarge North America, Inc. et al., Index No. 08-CV-3289
- (2) American Steamship Owners Mutual Protection & Indemnity Assoc., Inc. v. Lafarge North America, Inc., Index No. 06-CV-3123 (CSH)
- (3) New York Marine & General Insurance Co. v. Lafarge North America, Inc., Index No. 05-CV-9612 (CSH)

Our File No.: 10000478 (JAVN/NN)

Dear Judge Haight:

We are attorneys representing The Northern Assurance Company of America ("Northern Assurance") and American Home Assurance Company ("American Home")(collectively referred to as "Excess Underwriters") in action (1) of the above-captioned related actions.

We have obtained the consent of counsel for defendant Lafarge North America, Inc. ("Lafarge") for an extension up to Wednesday, July 2, 2008, to file and serve the Excess Underwriters' opposition papers to Lafarge's motion to dismiss the complaint. We respectfully request that the Court grant our present application for this extension for the filing of said papers.

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We thank the Court for its time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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